



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
KUNIO SEKIYA, ET AL.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 24555

FILED: MARCH 23, 2001

FOR: METHOD OF PREVENTING CONTAMINATION  
OF DRUM DRYER USED IN PAPER MACHINE

GROUP ART UNIT: 1731

APPLICATION NO.: 09/806,020

EXAMINER: MARK HALPERN

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO THE NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.111 MAILED MARCH 11, 2005**

Sir:

Applicants respond to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 11, 2005.  
Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below and consider the  
following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin  
on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks/Arguments** to the Non-Final Office Action begin on page 4 of this  
Response.